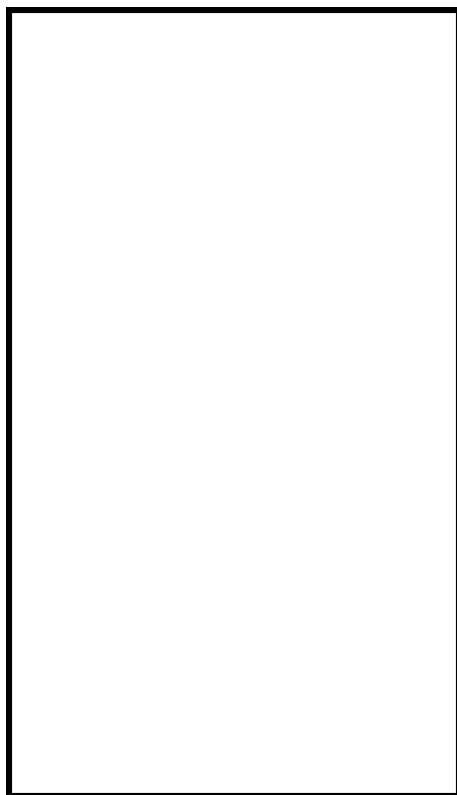




City of Eureka Recreation Division  
The John Ryan Youth Center  
1653 J ST.  
Eureka CA 95501



# City of Eureka **SUMMER CAMPS** June 22—August 14, 2009



*"Experience the Fun!"*

"Our son comes home confident and happy. The staff are educated, positive, and energetic and it shows that they love their job. The kids stay busy, entertained and well-supervised. We are thankful for this nurturing experience." -Parent

## Summer Camp Programs

### ABOUT OUR PROGRAMS

Camp Ryan & Camp Carson are educational, enrichment, and recreation programs designed to provide an enjoyable, safe and nurturing environment for children ages 5-12. Each day is packed with an array of activities to meet the individual needs of all participants. Summertime activities include:

**Junior Leader Program**  
**All Camp Events**  
**Special Guest Speakers**  
**Educational Field Trips**  
**Enrichment Clubs**  
**Leader-in-Training Program**  
**Cultural Events & Celebrations**  
**Annual Summer Camp Talent Show**  
**Creative Art Projects**  
**Non-Competitive Group Games**  
**Free Time to Read or Play with Friends**  
**Healthy Afternoon Lunch prepared by the**  
**Food Bank for Humboldt County**

### OUR VISION

The Eureka Recreation Division strives to develop the whole child by providing opportunities for youth to learn and grow physically, emotionally and socially while respecting and encouraging each other's strengths and individuality.



~Summer time fun at the pool!~

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### CAMP CARSON—Free Drop-In Program

Camp Carson is a Summer Recreation Playground Program run at Carson Park. This program is **FREE** for any child between the ages of 5-12 and is a **DROP-IN PROGRAM**. Children are signed in and out daily and are not permitted to leave without prior parental consent. Please do not drop your children off before 10:00 a.m. as they will not be supervised. Camp Carson can accommodate 50 children per day. Please do not drop your child off and drive away without first checking that there is space available.

### PROGRAM HOURS

Monday—Friday from 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

### LOCATION

CARSON PARK is located at **Buhne & I Streets**.

### REGISTRATION

No registration is required, but all children must have on file an *Agreement, Waiver & Release of Liability Form* signed by their parent/guardian. These forms may be picked up at Carson Park on the first day of attendance or at the Adorni Recreation Center.

### WEATHER

We hold camp rain or shine! In the event of a rainy day, Camp Carson can accommodate 25 children per day. Please outfit your kid(s) with proper clothing, close-toed shoes (no sandals), sun protection, a water bottle and a jacket each day. Please put your child's first and last name on all personal items they bring to camp.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

If you have any questions please contact Donna Wood, Recreation Supervisor @ 268-1858.



~Shootin' Hoops!~

## Summer Camp Programs

### CAMP RYAN

#### LOCATION

CAMP RYAN is located at The John Ryan Youth Center at **1653 J St. Eureka.**

#### REGISTRATION INFORMATION

All children must be pre-registered prior to attending Camp Ryan. All sessions are one week long and can accommodate 40 children per week. After the maximum is reached, children will be put on a waiting list and notified immediately of an opening.

#### REGISTRATION FEES

- Half day rates—\$85 per week with a choice of morning 7:30 am-12:30 pm or afternoons 12:30-5:30pm.
- Full day rates—\$105 per week—7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
- Register for (4) weeks and receive 10% off
- Register for all (8) weeks and receive (1) week free
- No Camp will be offered on July 3rd. Fees for that week are \$68/half-day & \$84/full-day.
- Non-attendance/non-participation in the program does not entitle a participant to a refund. A refund will only be given in the event that there is a child on the waiting list, willing to take their place.

#### WHEN DO I REGISTER?

Registration begins **MONDAY, June 1st, 2009** and is on a first-come, first-serve basis. We encourage you to register as early as possible, as enrollment is limited for this popular program.

#### WHERE DO I REGISTER?

Registration takes place at the Adorni Recreation Center, 1011 Waterfront Drive. The Adorni Center hours are Monday-Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. There is NO on-site registration at Camp Ryan. When registering, please note that the following information will need to be provided: emergency contacts, name and phone number of child's physician, any other parties allowed to pick up the child including their name and phone number, and any other additional information including medication and/or allergies.

#### NEED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE?

We recognize that some families are not able to fully finance their child's program fees. The City of Eureka works in partnership with the community in order to obtain funding to offset program fees for qualifying families. Scholarships may be available to those who qualify based on income requirements and offer a 50% fee reduction.

## Summer Camp Programs

### EDUCATION, ENRICHMENT & RECREATION

#### WEEKLY THEMES at Camp Ryan & Camp Carson

In the spirit of fun and inspiration, each week's activities and events are centered around different topics and themes in order to provide youth a well-balanced variety of experiences.

#### Week 1 (June 22—June 26) - Friends Around the World

Youth will learn about countries from around the world while engaging in activities that build community and teamwork.

#### Week 2 (June 29—July 2) - Love Our Planet

Youth will learn to reuse materials and enjoy activities that encourage respect for the environment in addition to learning easy ways to be proactive in taking care of our planet.

#### Week 3 (July 6—July 10) - Journey through Air, Space & Beyond

Imaginations will blast off with out of this world air & space science experiments and projects! Youth will discover what lies past our planet while exploring science, aviation and space.

#### Week 4 (July 13—July 17) - Under the Forest Canopy

Youth will discover the environment in which they live with a focus on local forest ecosystems. Activities will include eco-hikes and wildlife habitat exploration.

#### Week 5 (July 20—July 24) - Wild about Fins, Furs & Feathers

Youth will learn about our planet's magnificent animals and unearth the diversity of their habitats with an emphasis on the animals found in our own backyard.

#### Week 6 (July 27—July 31) - Mission Fitness, Fun & Nutrition

Activities will promote physical fitness from head to toe through focus on healthy play, exercise and nutritional eating habits. Be sure to get a good night's sleep and eat your wheaties so you can play like a champion.

#### Week 7 (August 3—August 7) - Kids' Got Talent!

Youth will experience performing arts such as set design, improv, music, and dance just to name a few. We will be rolling out the red carpet for The Annual Summer Camp Talent Show. Be sure to get your tickets early!

#### Week 8 (August 10—August 14) - Splish Splash Party Bash!

Get ready to enjoy a wet & wild week of water games and super soakin' fun. Prepare yourself for an end of the summer celebration you will never forget!

## Summer Camp Programs

### PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

#### PARTICIPANT CHECK IN & CHECK OUT

Parents, guardians and authorized individuals listed on the Waiver Form are required to sign their children in and out when they drop-off and pick-up a child. Arrangements must be made ahead of time for someone other than the designated parent/guardian to sign their child in and out. A child will not be released to a 3rd party under any circumstances without the parent's written or verbal approval.

**A PICTURE ID IS REQUIRED FROM EVERYONE PICKING UP YOUR CHILD.**

#### LUNCH/SNACK

The Food Bank for Humboldt County provides free lunch for all camp participants at no extra cost. Campers may bring their own lunch, however please do not send glass or other breakable containers, and be sure to mark all lunch/snack bags with your child's first and last name. Lunch begins at 12:00 p.m. each day depending on the scheduled activities. We also encourage you to send 1-2 snacks with each Camper.

#### MEDICATION

Staff cannot administer or remind children to take their medication. If your child requires medication please place medication in its original container, in a zip lock bag, with your child's name. Include explicit instructions (for your child) on how and at what time the medication is to be taken. Please talk with your child ahead of time regarding these instructions. Staff cannot apply sunscreen, bug spray or any other similar topical treatment to children. Parents are encouraged to call Camp at any time to connect with their children about these topics.

#### LATE POLICY

You jeopardize your child's privilege to attend the program by failing to pick him/her up at the designated closing time. If you are late, a late pick-up fee will be required prior to your child returning to camp.

#### HOW TO REACH STAFF OR YOUR CHILD DURING PROGRAM

The Camp Ryan phone number is 441-4224. The Camp Carson phone number is 441-4269. If our staff does not answer the phone, it may mean they are out in the field, please call back. You can also call the Camp Director at 268-1844 or the Recreation Supervisor at 268-1858.

#### SUMMER CAMP STAFF

Our Recreation Leaders are people who love kids. They want to spend their time playing, teaching, and working with children. All staff are First Aid & CPR Certified, Fingerprinted, TB Tested and receive extensive training. The Summer Camp staff consistently show their enthusiasm, dedication, creativity and talent in working with youth. You can be sure that we are hiring the "best of the best" to provide enriching, positive experiences for your children.

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### PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

#### POSITIVE BEHAVIOR GUIDANCE

The City of Eureka's Summer Camp Programs provide youth with the opportunity to gain valuable life skills in decision making, peer relations, cooperation, and building self-confidence. Staff utilize and encourage the practice of positive recognition as an effective method of behavior guidance and are constantly on the lookout for what kids are doing right!

#### At Summer Camp youth...

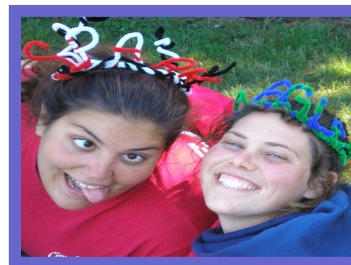
- Engage in diverse and meaningful activities that develop values, skills, and relationships.
- Have equal rights to be accepted, respected and valued by others.
- Are involved in decision making and program design. When youth have a voice they are far more likely to enjoy themselves and behave cooperatively.
- Enjoy a variety of fun incentive programs that are used to encourage safe, respectful, and responsible behavior.

Behavior that does not contribute to the well-being of others will be dealt with in a fair and respectful manner. Natural consequences will be applied to encourage learning. Parents/Guardians will be notified of all inappropriate behaviors and may be requested to pick up their child immediately. Program fees for days lost will not be reimbursed. Summer Camp Staff reserve the right to remove any child permanently from the program should it be necessary to do so.

#### BUILDING POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS WITH FAMILIES

If you have any concerns or suggestions that will help us serve your children better, please let our staff know. For example:

- Help us learn about your child's special talents and strengths.
- Tell us when your child needs extra help or support.
- Ask us questions if you don't understand our policies and procedures.
- Keep us informed about any important changes so we can serve you better.
- **VISIT WHENEVER YOU CAN. YOU ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!**



~Leaders at Play!~